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Title : CURABLE STARCH COMPOSITION, MODIFIED STARCH,
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ART STATEMENT

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Sir:

A copy of the First Official Letter in applicants' corresponding European patent application is enclosed.

British Patent No. 879,849 is cited in the subject First Official Letter. A copy of this patent was already submitted on July 29, 2004 in the Art Statement citing the references in the subject European Search Report.

British Patent No. 2,043,668 is cited in the subject First Official Letter. A copy of this patent was already submitted on July 29, 2004 in the Art Statement citing the references in the subject European Search Report.

German Published Patent Application No. 4208946 is cited in the subject First Official Letter. A copy of this patent application was already submitted on July 29, 2004 in the Art Statement citing the references in the subject European Search Report.

German Published Patent Application No. 4338152 is cited in the subject First Official Letter. A copy of this patent application was already submitted on

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U.S. Patent No. 1,739,863 (Rosenthal et al.) is cited in the subject First Official Letter. A copy of this patent was already submitted on July 29, 2004 in the Art Statement citing the references in the subject European Search Report.

U.S. Patent No. 3,405,080 (Otey et al.) is cited in the subject First Official Letter. A copy of this patent was already submitted on July 29, 2004 in the Art Statement citing the references in the subject European Search Report.

U.S. Patent No. 4,060,506 (Verbanac) is cited in the subject First Official Letter. A copy of this patent was already submitted on July 29, 2004 in the Art Statement citing the references in the subject European Search Report.

U.S. Patent No. 5,138,006 (Kuo Chung M et al.) is cited in the subject First Official Letter. A copy of this patent was already submitted on July 29, 2004 in the Art Statement citing the references in the subject European Search Report.

Enclosed is a copy of British Patent No. 688,291 which is cited in the subject First Official Letter.

Respectfully submitted,

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